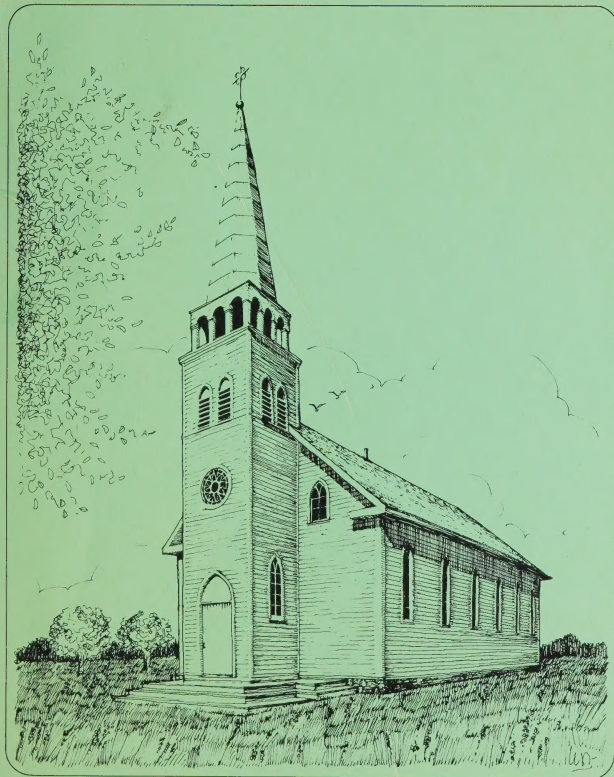


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# BATOCHÉ PLANNING PROGRAM

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THEMES & OBJECTIVES



PUBLIC REVIEW



1981

ALTERNATIVE PLANS



PUBLIC REVIEW



1982

APPROVED PLAN

In 1980, Parks Canada presented its Themes and Objectives for your review, as the first stage in planning for Batoche.

Based on Parks Canada's research, and your comments on the Themes and Objectives, the Batoche planning team has developed three Alternative Plans for the site, which are outlined in this booklet. \*For further information on the Alternatives, a technical package and analysis will be available for your review in public libraries in Prince Albert, Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Winnipeg.

## YOUR PARTICIPATION

To select the best plan, we need to know which Alternative or which parts of the Alternatives you feel are best suited for Batoche. Since this will be the final stage of public consultation before the plan is approved, it is very important that you make your views known. If possible, attend a PUBLIC MEETING to ensure that you have a clear understanding of the options. Members of the planning team will be there to answer your questions and to hear your ideas on the Plan Alternatives.

MARCH 2	BATOCHÉ
MARCH 3	ROSTHERN
MARCH 4	DUCK LAKE
MARCH 5	PRINCE ALBERT
MARCH 9	SASKATOON
MARCH 10	EDMONTON
MARCH 11	REGINA
MARCH 12	WINNIPEG

You will receive a meeting schedule in the mail when the exact meeting locations have been finalized.

## THE ALTERNATIVES

Each of the three plan options takes a different approach to possible Batoche development. In reviewing the Batoche Alternatives, please pay particular attention to the maps, which will give you an overview of what each proposal would involve.

**Alternative "A"** is the **minimum** site redevelopment plan needed to meet the Themes and Objectives. Visitors would obtain most of their understanding of Batoche in the Visitor Centre through the use of modern media rather than by historic treatments. Under this option, we would likely be able to complete most developments by 1985.

# BATOCHÉ PLANNING PROGRAM COMMENTS SECTION

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**Alternative "B"** is a **moderate** site redevelopment plan. It attempts to preserve much of what remains at Batoché, returning the standing structures to period, with a moderate degree of landscape restoration. In this option, the park access system is altered to provide a safe and uninterrupted tour of the site.

**Alternative "C"** is a **major** site redevelopment plan which calls for a three-dimensional representation of the main resources. Because some conjecture would be involved in the various period reconstructions, final acceptance of this option would have to await further studies. This option, because of the greater costs and work involved, would have to be phased over a longer period than five years.

## YOUR TURN

As you review the Batoché Alternatives, let us know what you think!

Go through the chart which describes the options, and write your comments in the space provided. Then cut along the dotted lines and mail the pages back to us. The address is: Batoché, Parks Canada, 114 Garry Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 1G1.

### 1985 - THE CENTENNIAL OF THE NORTHWEST REBELLION

In preparation for the 1985 centennial activities, the planning team has been asked to complete, by **July 1981**, a list of priorities for development at Batoché.

If you have suggestions about which developments should be completed by 1985, please indicate your preferences in the comments column by marking the appropriate box for Alternative A, B or C, following each section of the chart.

The deadline for your comments is **April 30, 1981**.



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## Comments

I.

by 1985? ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C

II.

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III. 1.

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## ALTERNATIVE "A"

– minimum redevelopment

### I. What would be relocated or removed?

- rectory displays (removed)
- modern structures in the church-rectory area (removed)
- church-rectory parking area (relocated)
- introductory exhibit (relocated or rebuilt at park entrance)
- provincial highway (minor relocation to accommodate visitor centre)

### II. What would remain the same?

- no road access to village
- cemetery access road
- no access to west side
- parking lot at introductory exhibit
- grazing contracts (west side)
- haying contracts (east side)
- west side landscape and most of east side landscape

### III. What would be new?

#### 1. VISITOR CENTRE

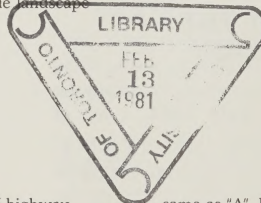
- located west of highway, close to church and rectory
- it would include: orientation area, exhibits, small theatre, site model and "typical Métis structure" of the historic period, office, washrooms, equipment and storage room, cafeteria, outdoor eating area, administration function

## ALTERNATIVE "B"

– moderate redevelopment

- same as "A", plus
- provincial highway relocated east of Zareba (Middleton's trenches)

- highway north of relocated portion
- no road access to village
- cemetery access road
- grazing south portion (west side)
- no access to west side



- same as "A", but with a less extensive interpretive component because there will be more development of the historic resources and more on-site interpretation

## ALTERNATIVE "C"

– major redevelopment

- same as "B", plus
- minor realignment, cemetery access road

- no access to west side
- grazing south portion (west side)

- same as "B"

	ALTERNATIVE "A"	ALTERNATIVE "B"	ALTERNATIVE "C"	Comments
	- minimum redevelopment	- moderate redevelopment	- major redevelopment	
2. MAINTENANCE COMPOUND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- same location as visitor centre</li> <li>- maintenance compound would contain garage, workshop, lunch area, locker room and washroom, equipment and materials storage</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- same as "A".</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- same location as "B", but a larger facility because of additional staff requirements and maintenance workload</li> </ul>	III. 2.
3. ACCESS AND TRANSPORTATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- parking areas at visitor centre and maintenance compound, entrance to Carlton Trail and orientation exhibit</li> <li>- period trail to village</li> <li>- contemporary trail along battle front</li> <li>- no car access to church/rectory or village</li> <li>- access roads to visitor centre, maintenance compound and Métis land</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- as in "A", plus</li> <li>- provincial highway relocation</li> <li>- no car access to Middleton's trenches</li> <li>- the possibility of public transit will be examined depending on visitor demand and operational experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- as in "B", plus</li> <li>- access road to parking area on plateau, below and behind village (replaces parking area at entrance to Carlton Trail)</li> </ul>	III. 3.
4. STRUCTURAL PRESERVATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- stabilize Caron residence</li> <li>- preserve village resources (including Champagne farmstead)</li> <li>- preserve structural remnants (west side) and protect selected rifle pits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- where possible, stabilize heritage structures throughout the park</li> <li>- where feasible, stabilize structural remains of the village</li> <li>- protect many of the archaeological resources (west side)</li> <li>- west village and selected rifle pits screened off from cattle</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- physical remnants (west side) will be protected and screened off from cattle</li> </ul>	III. 4.
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# Comments

III. 5.

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III. 6.

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III. 7.

by 1985? ..... A ☐ B ☐ C ☐

## ALTERNATIVE "A"

– minimum redevelopment

### 5. STRUCTURAL RESTORATION

- full restoration and furnishing of the church
- restore and furnish lower level of the rectory
- restore cemetery grave markers, in cooperation with the Parish of Batoche

### 6. PERIOD RECONSTRUCTION

- not in this option

### 7. LANDSCAPE RESTORATION

- church-rectory-cemetery area
- Carlton Trail from parking area to village

## ALTERNATIVE "B"

– moderate redevelopment

- as in "A", but both floors of the rectory, plus
- restore Caron residence, remove rear annex and refurbish interior

- 1897 rectory annex reconstructed to provide for a necessary fire exit

- satellite exhibit area
- vegetation between zareba and church
- screening of visitor centre and access roads
- church-rectory-cemetery area
- selected landscape features along a trail from zareba to church and village
- rifle pits (west side) and vegetation pattern (partial)
- Carlton Trail, village area (partial) and fencelines and cultivation around Batoche's house
- ferry crossing area (east side)

## ALTERNATIVE "C"

– major redevelopment

- as in "B", plus acquisition and external restoration of Jean Caron Jr.'s farmstead building

- as in "B", plus
- important structures in the village [not necessarily all will be furnished]
  - a) Letendre's house
  - b) Letendre's store
  - c) Fisher's store
  - d) Boyer's store
- missing flanks of zareba and rifle pits constructed during the battle

- as in "B", plus
- general landscape of village
- zareba, Caron Farmstead, and entire battlefield

### ALTERNATIVE "A"

#### – minimum redevelopment

#### 8. INTERPRETATION

- new orientation exhibit at park entrance
- ground interpretation of zareba, village, ferry crossing and Champagne farmstead
- exhibit, audio-visual program and model in visitor centre
- publications and pamphlets
- information and/or guided tours in church-rectory area and visitor centre
- period furnishing of church and rectory (lower level)

### ALTERNATIVE "B"

#### – moderate redevelopment

- as in "A", plus
- period furnishing of Caron homestead and second floor of rectory
- ground interpretation of scenic lookout area and military trail to village
- publications and pamphlets at church-rectory area, Middleton's trenches, north parking area (and public transit vehicles if system is implemented)
- special fetes and pageants (volunteer groups)
- Red River cart rides on Carlton Trail (occasionally)
- when feasible, period services in the church
- staff in period costume at Caron residence and church/rectory

### ALTERNATIVE "C"

#### – major redevelopment

- as in "B", plus
- ground interpretation of Caron Jr. farmstead
- information and/or guided tours at zareba-Caron Jr. area and village
- special festivals and plays
- play acting roles by staff
- period furnishing of some additional reconstructed buildings, and Middleton's trenches interpreted by staff and volunteers in period costume

### Comments

#### III. 8.

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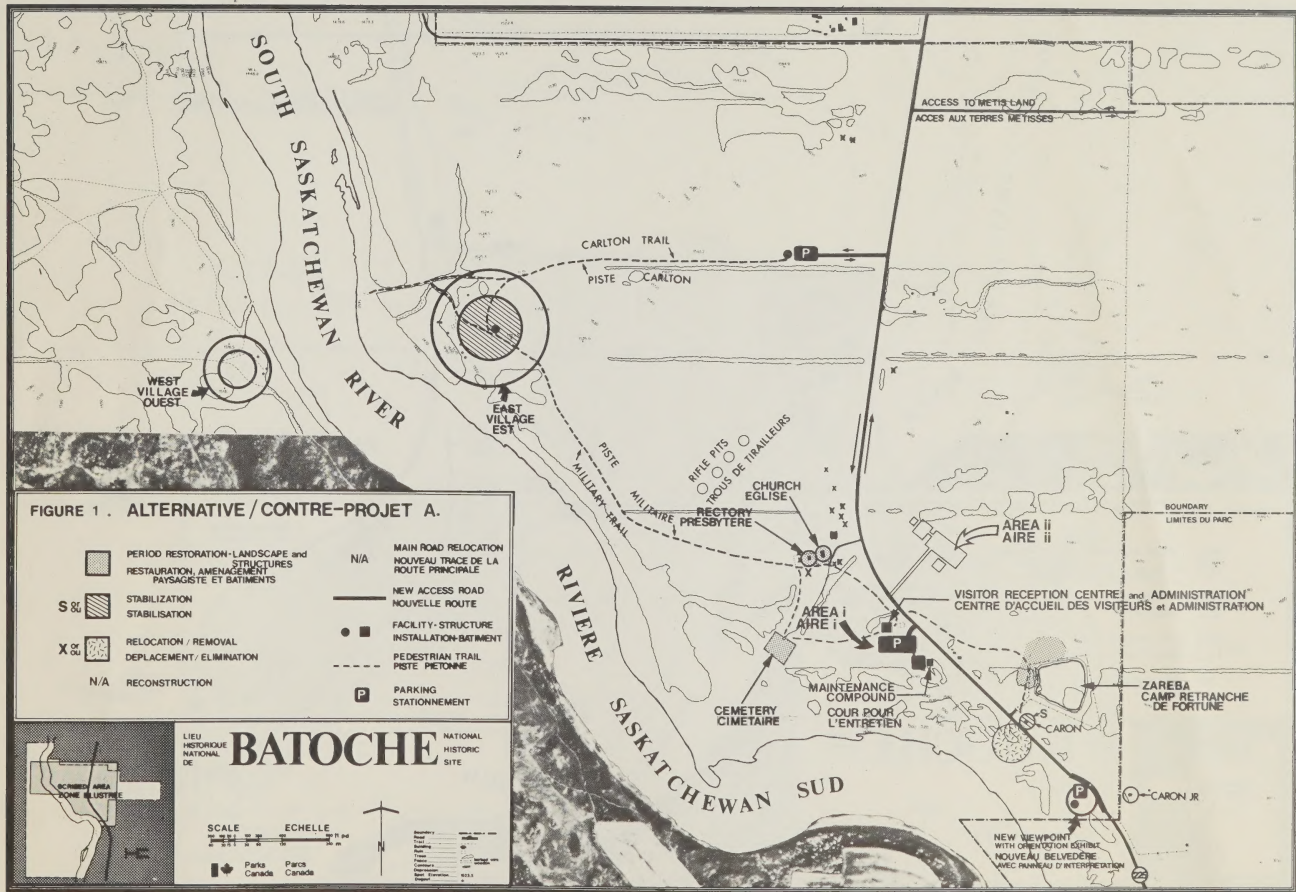
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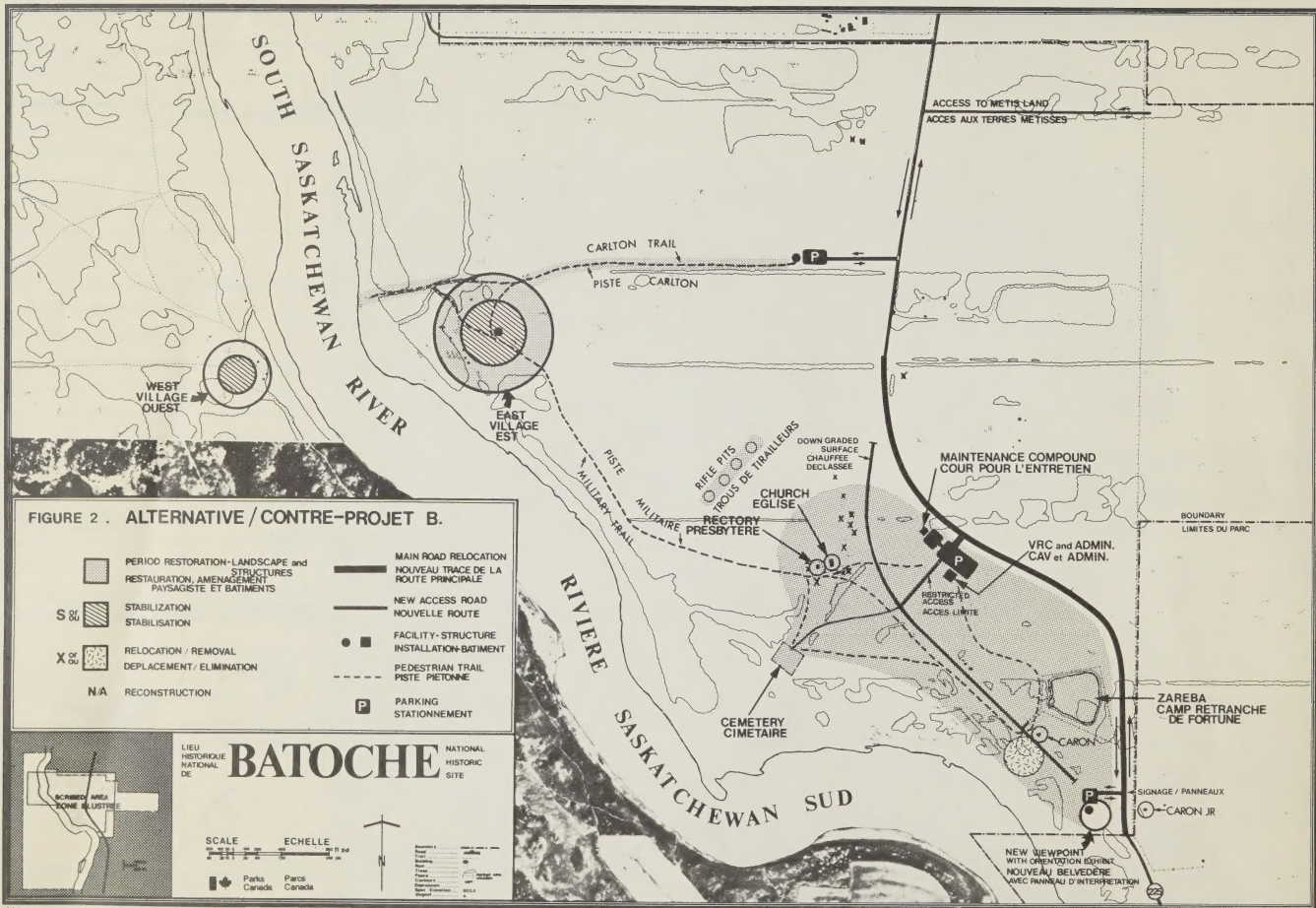
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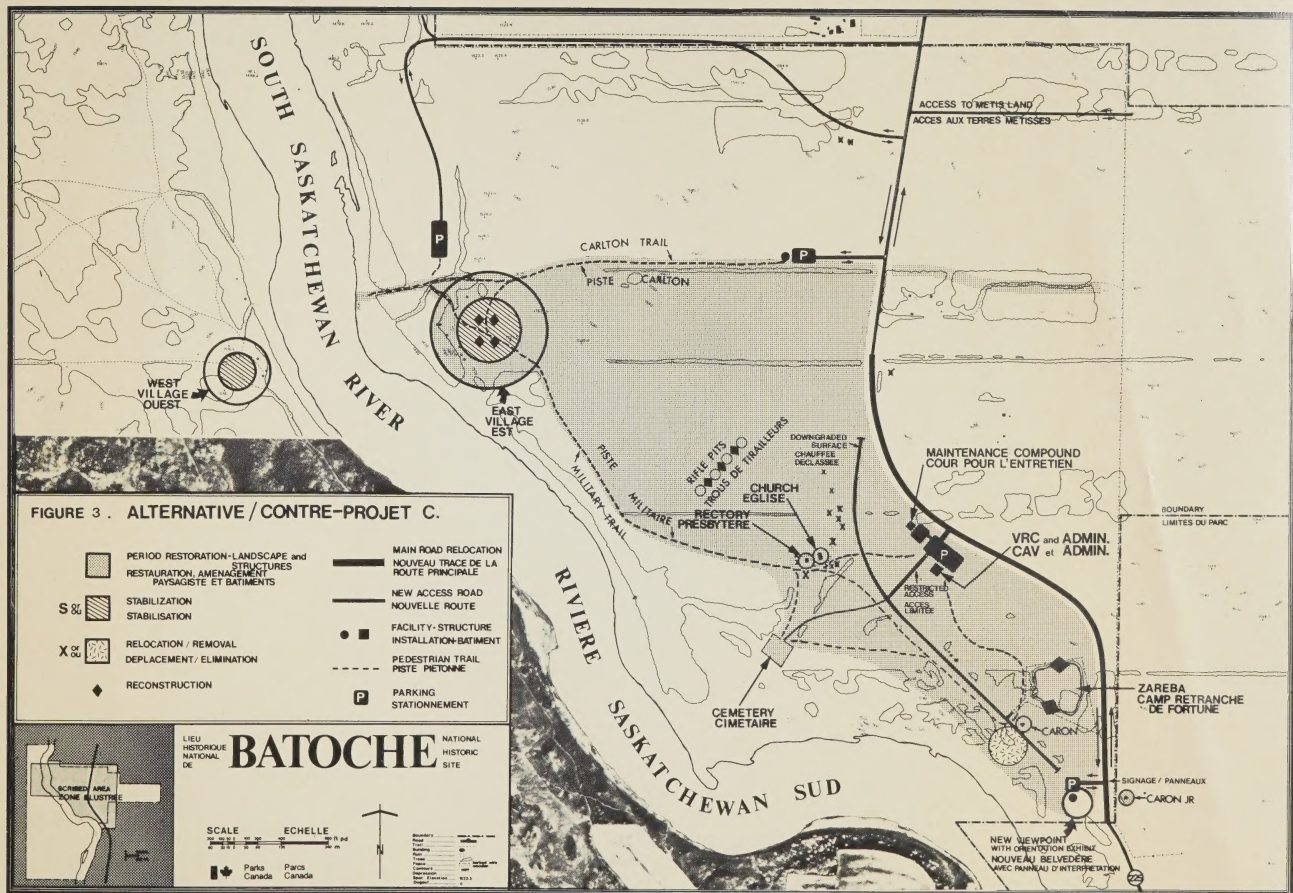
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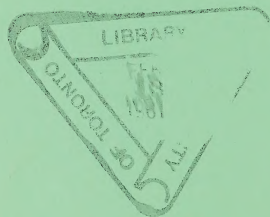












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